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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Filed: December 1, 2003

Walton et al.

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Examiner: Raj K. Jain

Confirmation No.: 3195

For: Method and Apparatus for Providing an Efficient Control Channel Structure in a

Wireless Communication System

MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 31, 2008, having an extended period for response set to expire on August 31, 2008, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

Petition for Extension of Time:

Applicants hereby petition for a 2-month extension of time to extend the three-month shortened statutory period for reply as set by the Examiner to cover the date this Response is filed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 17-0026 for the requisite 2month extension fee of \$460.00.